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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

Defendant.

Case No. 14-CR-00175-WHA

**DECLARATION OF [REDACTED]
IN SUPPORT OF RESPONSE TO ORDER
REQUESTING INFORMATION ON
DIXIE AND BADER FIRES**

Judge: Hon. William Alsup

1 I, [REDACTED] declare at follows:

2 1. I am currently employed by Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E") as a
3 Troubleman in the Chico area. I make this declaration based upon personal knowledge and if
4 called as a witness, I could and would testify competently to the matters set forth herein.

5 2. On July 14, 2021, I received a tag on my Getac device alerting me to a partial
6 outage along the Paradise 1105 circuit. I received the tag near the end of my shift, which was
7 scheduled to end at 3:30pm. On my way to the location, the tag was elevated with further
8 information that the fire department was on site. I therefore headed directly to Fuse 1291 near the
9 intersection of Skyway and Indian Drive in Magalia to investigate and, if necessary, open the fuses
10 to deenergize the line completely and make the scene safe. When I got close to Fuse 1291, I saw
11 that one of the three fuses was open. I ascended the pole and, for safety reasons, opened the other
12 two fuses, which de-energized the line between the fuses and the load. I estimate that Fuse 1291
13 was approximately a half a mile from Bader Mine Road. I could not see Bader Mine Road from
14 that location.

15 3. I then drove down to Bader Mine Road to assess the situation there. When I
16 arrived, I observed one or more fire engines that appeared to be Cal Fire vehicles. A sheriff
17 vehicle was leaving the area as I arrived. There was also another PG&E troubleman on site.
18 There was retardant on the ground, and any fire that had been in the vicinity appeared to have been
19 completely suppressed by the time I arrived.

20 4. I also saw that one of the two phases on the line at Bader Mine Road was down,
21 and there was a tree leaning on the phase that was still intact. The other troubleman on site cut the
22 downed line to make the scene safe. I filled out a tag for another crew to repair the line before I
23 departed the scene.

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1 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States and the State of
2 California that the foregoing is true and correct.

3 Executed this 28th day of July, 2021, in the City of Chico, County of Butte, State of
4 California.

